

### **Tubac Presidio State Historic Park**

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## **Events at the Tubac Presidio State Historic Park - April 2015**

## Book Talk & Signing: Juan Bautista de Anza: The King's Governor in New Mexico by Carlos Herrera, Thursday, April 2, 2 pm

Most of us are familiar with Juan Bautista de Anza the famous leader who led a group from Tubac to found what is now the great city of San Francisco. But what do we know about Anza's skills as a colonial governor, military leader and politico? Do not miss Prof. Herrera's presentation of this first comprehensive biography of Anza and his historical importance to southern Arizona and northern Mexico. \$7.50 includes admission to tour the Park.

## Presentation: Marking the Divide: Photographs and Monuments along the U.S./Mexico Border, by Katherine Morrissey - Friday, April 3, 2 pm

How do we visualize the border? For over 100 years--from the 1890s International Boundary Commission photographs to tourist snapshots to re-photography projects--the U.S./Mexico borderline, and the monuments that mark it, has fascinated photographers. In this illustrated talk, historian Katherine Morrissey, University of Arizona, explores this question as she shares border images taken over the long 20th century. Katherine G. Morrissey is Associate Professor of History at the University of Arizona where she teaches courses in western U.S., Arizona & the Southwest, U.S. cultural and environmental history. \$7.50 includes admission to tour the Park.

# Presentation: Rediscover Nogales with Mary Darling – Thursday, April 9, 2 pm You're invited to a virtual tour and discovery of Nogales thanks to Google Earth. Nogales is a gem of a city with rich history, architecture and culture. Mary will "drive" us to Las Lagunas de Anza, the Pimería Alta Museum, describe the Arizona Rangers showcased at the 1904 Courthouse, and much more. There is plenty to explore and discover in our friendly neighboring city to the south. Mary Darling is a resident of the downtown Crawford Street Historical Neighborhood & chair of the Tourism Partnerships. \$7.50 includes admission to tour the Park.

Presentation: Camels in Arizona? by Jack Lasseter, Saturday, April 11, 2 pm Are you kidding me? No, they were really here. This is the story of the introduction and use of camels in Arizona and why they are no longer here. Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served. \$15 per lecture. Please call for reservations, 520-398-2252. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the community effort to "Save the Presidio."

Save the Presidio - Arizona's First State Park!
We are looking for additional Volunteers! Call 398-2252 for more info.

#### **Non-Presidio Event of Interest:**

Tubac Historical Society Annual Picnic at Rock Coral Ranch, Sunday, April 12, 2 pm-5pm The Tubac Historical Society's Annual Picnic will be held on Sunday, April 12 from 2-5 pm at the historic Rock Corral Ranch in Tumacacori. This event will feature a catered BBQ sit down meal, refreshments, live entertainment, tours of the ranch house, and the ambiance of a classic Southern Arizona ranch. Tickets will be sold at the Post Office before the event. No tickets will be sold on the day of the picnic. \$35 for Tubac Historical Society members; \$40 for non-members. Call 398-2020 for more information.

Living History: Medicine of the Spanish Colonial Period – Saturday, April 18, 11am-2pm When the Spanish soldiers and their families settled Tubac in 1752, there was no doctor or surgeon among them. It was the responsibility of the women to treat their family's physical complaints and wounds. Medicine was basic and dependent on herbs and plants known for their healing properties. This living history program features a display of medicinal herbs and plants, and knowledgeable commentary by an herbalist who will tell visitors how these plants were used by "curanderas" (healers) to treat illness and injuries. \$5 adult, \$2 youth 7-13, children free.

# Frontier Printing Press Demonstrations – Saturday, April 18, 11am-3 pm, Tuesday, April 28, 9 am-1pm, Thursday, April 30, 9 am-1 pm

Professional printer and teacher James Pagels demonstrates the Washington Hand Press used to print Arizona's first newspaper in 1859 and answers questions about hand press printing, typesetting, and other aspects of this marvel of industrial engineering. Included with park admission \$5 adult, \$2 youth 7-13, children free.

## Book Talk & Signing: Albert Monreal Quihuis: Sofia and Pepe Adventure Series Children's Books, Sunday, April 19, 2 pm

This award winning author presents the story and model behind his delightful children's adventure series. After writing his first children's book to honor his parents and family traditions, Albert became passionate about writing books that not only to entertain but also enrich and inspire children to learn about their traditions, culture and history, and take pride in their Latino heritage. \$7.50 fee includes admission to the Park.

#### **Non-Presidio Event of Interest:**

## 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Arizona History Convention, Thursday-Sunday, April 23-26, Casino del Sol Resort and Conference Center, 5655 W. Valencia Road, Tucson

The Arizona History Convention meets once a year to celebrate Arizona's great history and people. This year's topics range from the past and present of the Yaqui tribe, the Civil War in Arizona, J. Ross Browne, to Tucson pioneer women, and many more! Presidio director Shaw Kinsley is a presenter, speaking on "Saving the Tubac Presidio: I Had No Idea!" and will also give a guided tour of the Presidio to convention attendees, explaining the town of Tubac and the presidio's importance in settling southern Arizona and the greater Southwest. The History Convention is open to all. For more information and to register go to: <a href="https://www.arizonahistory.org">www.arizonahistory.org</a>.

Living History: Foods of the Spanish Colonial Period – Saturday, April 25, 11am-2pm Volunteers dressed in period clothing describe the combination of native and introduced foods enjoyed by the Spanish soldiers and civilians who lived in Tubac during the Spanish Colonial period (1752-1776). Featuring a special display of the bounty of foods from the Old World, New World and surrounding desert used by Tubac cooks, plus cooking demos with samples. \$5 adult, \$2 youth 7-13, children free.

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